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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of  
Vonderwalde et al.  
For: **STENT ASSEMBLY**  
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**SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**  
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Please preliminarily amend the above-identified continuation application as follows: